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PETITION UNDER RULE 1.78(a)(3)

As stated in the amendment filed concurrently herewith, the Applicant believes that the amendment made in the patent application transmittal form was made according to the proper procedure at the time. However, if the Examiner finds that it was not made according to the proper procedure, then the Applicant wishes consideration of this Petition Under Rule 1.78(a)(3).

The undersigned recently became aware that the old practice of being able to insert a cross reference to a prior U.S. application by requesting such in the patent application transmittal form was changed by the new amendment practice effective July 30, 2003. It was at this time that the undersigned reviewed this patent application and found out that patent publication US2004/0019124 did not include the required cross reference to the divisional application serial number 10/167,209 even though it had been requested at the time of filing in the transmittal form. The undersigned states that this error to include a preliminary amendment along with the filing was unintentional and that the entire delay in submitting this amendment was unintentional. The

Applicant requests that the amendment of the specification in the amendment filed concurrently herewith be accepted.

The Applicant requests that the fee for filing this petition and any fee/surcharge required for late filing of the amendment to include the cross reference to the prior application be charged to Shell Oil Company Deposit Account 19-1800.

Respectfully submitted,

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